

2005-2006 State Technology Grant Intent Language

The Joint Finance and Appropriates Committee (JFAC) appropriated \$9.5 million for the State Technology Funds along with the following intent language –

1. \$350,000 is to support the Libraries Linking Idaho (LiLI) Project.
2. \$4,040,000 of the funds is for ongoing school district technology expenditures. Such expenditures may include the personnel costs associated with school district information technology staff support with no more than \$160,00 is to support the ICTL administration.
3. \$5,100,000 of the funds is to be distributed to school districts in a like manner as equalized, ongoing state discretionary funds, with 75% of such funds being distributed by August 31st, and 25% in the final payment of the fiscal year. Such funds shall be expended, at the discretion of the school district board of trustees, on either purchasing technology equipment and software, or defraying costs associated with providing remedial instruction for students that fail to attain proficiency in one or more sections of the Idaho Standards Achievement Test. The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall submit a report on the usage of such funds to the Joint Finance Appropriations Committee, the House Education Committee, and Senate Education Committee, by February 1, 2007.

